



PARTNERSHIP

A KYOSH Cooperative Program

Kentucky Strategic Partnerships

Kentucky Ready Mix Concrete Association

A Safety In Practice (SIP) partnership agreement was signed on 3/14/2007 at the Frankfort office of the Kentucky Ready Mix Concrete Association between KY-OSH representatives and KRMCA.



Partnership signers and drafters are above: (seated, left to right) Gene Demeter-Safety Director of Hilltop Basic Resources and drafter, Camilla Fizer-Advanced Ready Mix & President of KRMCA, Philip J. Anderson-Commissioner of Labor , Steve Morrisson-Executive Director of KY-OSH, Steve Sparrow-Director of Compliance KY-OSH, (standing, left to right), Terry Jones-E & S Director of Irving Materials Inc. and drafter, Brian Harper-VP of Pearce Concrete and drafter, John Lippert-KY-OSH Partnership Administrator and drafter, Brian Hood-Irving Materials Inc. & E/ S Committee of KRMCA, R. Finley Messick-Executive Director of KRMCA, Tim Condo-Harrod Concrete & Stone/VP of KRMCA, and Lynn Clem-Director of Education and Training KY-OSH.

The following is a press release by the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet regarding this partnership.

Frankfort, Ky. (March 14, 2007) - The Kentucky Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Program (KY-OSH) today signed a "Safety In Practice" partnership agreement with the Kentucky Ready Mixed Concrete Association (KRMCA). The partnership, which aims to increase workplace safety in the ready mixed concrete industry, is the first of its kind in general industry in Kentucky.

In 2003, the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association and the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration signed a nationwide partnership agreement that mutually recognized the importance of providing a safe and healthful work environment for the ready mixed concrete industry. Building upon this partnership, the KRMCA and KY-OSH found it desirable to create a state partnership.

The agreement is aimed at preventing injuries and illnesses within the industry. Implementation of the agreement is expected to improve existing safety and health programs, resulting in fewer compliance problem areas and penalties. The agreement also provides incentives to ready mixed concrete companies that voluntarily participate and demonstrate improvement in their safety and health programs.

"One of the priorities of Governor Ernie Fletcher's administration has been to have safer, healthier workplaces," said Phillip J. Anderson, commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Labor. "That means preventing accidents and illnesses in the first place. That's why safety partnerships such as this are so valuable."

KY-OSH will provide training concentrated on the industry's most common hazards. Safety representatives from the companies will undergo the training and pass it on to other workers at each facility.

The Safety in Practice partnership is the first in Kentucky to have three performance levels. Incentives are tailored to provide increasing motivation with each level of improved performance. A company that reaches the top level is removed from KY-OSH's general inspection schedule.

"KRMCA members are proud to be the first participant within the state of Kentucky to enter into a general industry partnership agreement with

Kentucky OSH," said R. Finley Messick, executive director of the association. "Our industry is stepping to the plate and showing we are serious about safety in the workplace."

The KRMCA has 63 producer members. It is expected that ready mixed concrete companies that participate in the partnership program will reduce reportable injuries and serious violations in their respective workplaces. These reductions should result in a safer and more productive work environment, increased employee awareness of safety importance, decreased operating expenses, decreased company accident and incident rates and significant KY-OSH incentives.

List of Eligible Companies for the Partnership

As of January 1st, 2007, the following companies are reported as current members of the KRMCA and are eligible to participate in the SIP partnership with KY-OSH. However, any eligible member can participate in this agreement. The specific plant sites will be used for the baseline for participation in this agreement. This list is only of the known eligible companies who could participate if they choose. However, it is a recognized goal of the KRMCA of KY to encourage the increasing participation of as many member company sites as possible until all are participating at some level after an appropriate period of time.

Company Name

**ADVANCE READY MIX
ALBANY REDI-MIX, INC.
ALL RITE READY MIX
ALL STATE READY MIX, INC.
AMERICAN CONCRETE, INC.
ATLAS CONCRETE PRODUCT
BOONE READY MIX, INC.
BOOTH READY MIX
BOWLING GREEN CONCRETE, LLC
BRECK CO. READY MIX & PRECAST PRODUCTS
BUILDERS CONCRETE OF RICHMOND
CENTRAL KENTUCKY MIXED CONCRETE
COLUMBIA READY MIX, INC.
CONCRETE MATERIALS. LLC.
W.T. CONGLETON CO.
CROUSE CONCRETE, INC.
DALLAS BENGE
ERNST CONCRETE KY.**

**FEDERAL MATERIALS CORP.
FITTS BLOCK & READY MIX
GALLATIN READY MIX
GRANT CO. CONCRETE, INC.
HANCOCK CO. READY MIX
HARLAN CO. CONCRETE, LLC
HARROD CONCRETE & STONE CO.
HAZ CON CORP.
HILLTOP CONCRETE CO.
HOME LUMBER CO., INC.
IRVING MATERIALS-SOUTH
KENTUCKY CONCRETE, INC.
KENWAY CONCRETE OF KENTUCKY, LLC.
LINCOLN COUNTY READY MIX, INC.
LOWE'S CONCRETE PRODUCTS
MAYSVILLE READY-MIX
McCREARY CO. READY MIX
MENIFEE READY MIX
MEUTH CONSTRUCTION SUPPLY
MINI MIX OF LOUISVILLE
MORAINÉ MATERIALS CO.
MOUNTAIN CONSTRUCTION CO. CONCRETE DIV.
OHIO RIVER CONCRETE CORPORATION
OHIO VALLEY READY-MIX, INC.
OWENSBORO CONCRETE COMPANY
PEARCE READY MIX CONCRETE CO'S
PICKETT CONCRETE
PYLES CONCRETE, INC.
QUALITY STONE & READY MIX, INC.
READY MIX CONCRETE CO. OF SOMERSET
READY MIX CONCRETE CO. OF LEXINGTON
REIS CONCRETE PRODUCTS, INC.
ROCKCASTLE READY MIX
RUSSELL CO. READY MIX
SPENCER CONCRETE SERVICES, INC.
H.B. STANLEY, INC.
TAYLOR-GREEN READY MIX, INC.
TRANSIT-MIX CONCRETE CO.
TRI-COUNTY READY MIX
TRI-COUNTY READY MIX - BARBOURVILLE
TRI-COUNTY READY MIX - CORBIN
TRI-COUNTY READY MIX - WILLIAMSBURG
WAYNE CO. READY MIX
THE WELLS GROUP, LLC.**

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